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1. SUMMARY. PRESS TRUST-OWNED PAKISTAN TIMES REMAINS THE  
MAIN PURVEYOR OF ANTI-AMERICAN NEWS ITEMS IN PAKISTAN'S  
MAY 7 PRINTED NEWS MEDIA. FRONT PAGE ARTICLE REITERATES  
OLD THEME THAT PAKISTAN MIGHT WITHDRAW FROM CENTO.  
EDITORIAL PAGE CONTAINS FAR LESS ANTI-AMERICAN ITEMS THAN  
AT ANY OTHER TIME THIS PAST WEEK. PAPER ALSO RELIES LESS  
THAN PREVIOUS DAY ON FOREIGN NEWS SOURCES FOR ANTI-AMERICAN

CONTENTS. END SUMMARY.  
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2. PRESS TRUST-OWNED PAKISTAN TIMES MAY 7 REMAINS THE  
MAIN PURVEYOR OF ANTI-AMERICAN NEWS ITEMS AMONG  
PAKISTAN'S MAJOR PRINTED NEWS MEDIA. ONLY TWO SMALL  
NOTICES OF THIS TYPE APPEARED IN MAY 7 ISSUE OF URDU  
DAILY JANG.

3. FRONT PAGE OF MAY 7 PAKISTAN TIMES FEATURES LENGTHY ARTICLE BY SENIOR DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT AND BHUTTO CONFIDANT, H.K. BURKI, "DECISION TO IGNORE CENTO TALKS FIRM REBUFF TO U.S.", SURFACES POSITION ALREADY HEARD THAT PAKISTAN MAY WITHDRAW FROM CENTO. BURKI MAINTAINS DECISION NOT TO SEND PAK FOREIGN MINISTER AZIZ AHMED TO CENTO MINISTERIAL IS FIRST CONCRETE EXPRESSION OF PAKISTAN'S "RESENTMENT AT THE MASSIVE AMERICAN INTERVENTION IN ITS INTERNAL AFFAIRS". HE ACCUSES USG OF ANTI-PAKISTANI ACTS PRIOR TO PM'S APRIL 28 SPEECH IN PARLIAMENT: (A) "CARTER ADMINISTRATION HAD OPENED THE LATEST PHASE OF BULLYING WITH THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE AID-TO-PAKISTAN CONSORTIUM MEETING TO JULY." THIS OCCURED, HE SAYS AFTER THE USG HAD CHANGED THE VENUE OF THE MEETING TO WASHINGTON. (B) SECRETARY OF STATE VANCE'S LETTER TO PRIME MINISTER BHUTTO CONTAINED "AN IMPLICIT THREAT THAT UNLESS PAKISTAN AGREED TO DISCUSS ITS GRIEVANCES IN PRIVATE, THE FLOW OF AMERICAN LOANS AND THE SALE OF MILITARY SUPPLIES WOULD BE CHOKED OFF". HE DEPICTS USG "INSISTENCE" ON PRIVATE TALKS AS A "CUSTOMARY TRICK" USED IN ORDER TO PRIVATELY WIELD "THE BIG STICK" AND PRESSURE THE WEAKER STATE "AND GET AWAY WITH IT." BURKI DESCRIBES THE IMPORTANCE OF THE DECISION NOT TO SEND AZIZ AHMED TO TEHRAN (A) AS SHOWING THE GOP WILL STAND FIRM ON PRINCIPLES AND WILL NOT TOLERATE FURTHER SUBVERSIVE ACTS, AND (B) THAT THIS MAY, DEPENDING ON DEVELOPMENTS, BE THE FIRST STEP TOWARD A COMPLETE PAK WITHDRAWAL FROM CENTO. BURKI REMINDS READERS THAT PAKISTAN'S WITHDRAWAL FROM SEATO BEGAN WITH NON-LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PARTICIPATION IN SEATO MINISTERIAL MEETINGS.

4. ANOTHER FRONT PAGE ARTICLE, "U.S.- AIDED BID TO WRECK TIES WITH CHINA" DEPICTS EFFORTS BY TRIBESMEN TO BLOCK THE KARAKORAM HIGHWAY AS "PART OF THE OPPOSITION'S AMERICAN-BACKED CONSPIRACY AIMED....AT WRECKING PAKISTAN'S CLOSE FRIENDSHIP WITH CHINA." AMERICAN INVOLVEMENT IS SAID TO CONSIST OF "AMPLE SUPPLIES OF DOLLARS TO LOCAL MAULVIS, (ISLAMIC DIVINES) AND TRIBAL SARDARS".

5. SMALL FRONT PAGE ITEM, "U.S. EMBASSY PICKETED" DESCRIBES MAY 6 DEMONSTRATION AT EMBASSY ISLAMABAD REPORTED SEPTEL.

6. EDITORIAL PAGE CONTAINS LESS ANTI-U.S. MATERIAL THAN AT ANY OTHER TIME THIS PAST WEEK. IT FEATURES AN ATTACK BY EDITORIALIST ZENO AGAINST OPPOSITION PAKISTAN NATIONAL ALLIANCE'S LIST OF PROPOSALS FOR SETTLING PAKISTAN'S CURRENT POLITICAL IMBROGLIO. ZENO COMMENTS THAT

"PALPABLE PROOFS" HAVE BEEN DEMONSTRATED THAT AN INTERNATIONAL CONSPIRACY EXISTS AGAINST PAKISTAN AND THAT PNA LEADERS RECEIVE "CLEAR PROMPTING FROM THE PRESS OF THEIR FOREIGN SPONSORS". IN COMMENTING ABOUT G.W. CHAUDHRI, NOTED AUTHOR WHO CHRONICLED SEPARATION OF BANGLADESH FROM PAKISTAN, ZENO DESCRIBES HIM AS "AN AUTHOR WELL BELOVED OF THE OPPOSITION'S 'INDEPENDENT' NEWSPAPERS BECAUSE OF HIS ANTI-BHUTTO STANCE AND ALSO BECAUSE HE CARRIED ON HIS RESEARCH AT COLUMBIA, WITH A GRANT ARRANGED FOR HIM BY PROFESSOR ZBIGNIEW BRZEZINSKI, CURRENTLY AND IADE OF PRESIDENT CARTER". ZENO ALSO REFERS TO "THE PLAN OF DISMEMBERMENT OF PAKISTAN, CONCEIVED IN 1962 BY THE FAMOUS HARVARD SCHOLARS ATTACHED TO THE GOVERNMENT OF AYUB KHAN AS SPECIALISTS, AND BROUGHT TO PARTIAL FRUITION IN 1971 BY A MOVEMENT ENCOURAGED AND ASSISTED BY OTHER SUCH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNITED STATES IN EAST AND WEST PAKISTAN."

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7. PAPER ALSO RELIES LESS THAN PREVIOUS DAY ON FOREIGN NEWS SOURCES FOR ANTI-AMERICAN CONTENTS. EDITORIAL PAGE CARRIES TASS PLACEMENT, "IMPERIALISTS' PLAN TO CONTROL RED SEA". THIS AND REUTER ITEM ON BACK PAGE, "CIA UNDER FIRE IN AUSTRALIA" ARE THE ONLY ANTI-US FOREIGN NEWS ITEMS THAT APPEAR.

8. A FEW OTHER MINOR ITEMS SCATTERED THROUGH THE PAPER NOTE PLEDGES OF SUPPORT BY MINOR OFFICIALS AND POLITICIANS FOR THE PM IN THE FACE OF THE "FOREIGN CONSPIRACY."  
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